

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A door handle for a vehicle comprising:
a handle main body fixed to a vehicle door and possessing a housing portion at an opposite side of the vehicle door;
an antenna housed in the housing portion so as to arrange an axis of the antenna to be substantially parallel to a longitudinal direction of the ~~door~~ handle main body, the antenna possessing a first surface facing the housing portion and a second surface facing in the opposite direction; and
a metal made cover ~~for coating~~ covering the housing portion from the opposite side of the vehicle door and arranged relative to the antenna such that the second surface of the antenna is exposed to the metal made cover, the metal made cover being wherein the cover within an axial direction dimension of the antenna is arranged to be more distant from the vehicle door than the axis of the antenna.
2. (Currently Amended) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 1, wherein a longitudinal direction dimension of the cover is defined to be greater than the axial direction dimension of the antenna and a ratio of a sectional area of the antenna vertical to the axial direction thereof to an axially projected area of the cover is defined to be substantially equal to or greater than ~~one to a hundred and twenty~~ 1/120.

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3. (Original) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 1, wherein a longitudinal direction dimension of the cover is defined to be greater than the axial direction dimension of the antenna and an entire portion of the cover is positioned to be more distant from the vehicle door than the axis of the antenna.
4. (Original) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 1, wherein the cover is not grounded.
5. (Original) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 2, wherein the cover is not grounded.
6. (Original) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 3, wherein the cover is not grounded.
7. (New) A door handle for a vehicle comprising:
 - a handle main body fixed to a vehicle door and possessing a housing portion at an opposite side of the vehicle door;
 - an antenna housed in the housing portion and possessing an axis substantially parallel to a longitudinal direction of the handle main body; and
 - a metal made cover covering the housing portion from the opposite side of the vehicle door, the metal made cover being positioned adjacent the antenna with an absence of any material between the metal made cover and the antenna, the metal made cover being arranged to be more distant from the vehicle door than the axis of the antenna.

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8. (New) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 7, wherein a longitudinal direction dimension of the cover is defined to be greater than the axial direction dimension of the antenna and a ratio of a sectional area of the antenna vertical to the axial direction thereof to an axially projected area of the cover is defined to be substantially equal to or greater than $1/120$.

9. (New) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 7, wherein a longitudinal direction dimension of the cover is defined to be greater than the axial direction dimension of the antenna and an entire portion of the cover is positioned to be more distant from the vehicle door than the axis of the antenna.

10. (New) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 7, wherein the cover is not grounded.

11. (New) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 8, wherein the cover is not grounded.

12. (New) A door handle for a vehicle according to claim 9, wherein the cover is not grounded.

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